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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES
DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)
CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371**

U.S. APPLICATION NO. **10/527478**

INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.

PCT/EP2003/009963

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September 8, 2003

PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED

September 13, 2002

TITLE OF INVENTION

ELECTRIC CONNECTING DEVICE

APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US

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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☒ This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).
4. ☒ A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
 - a. ☐ is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b. ☒ has been transmitted by the International Bureau. (PCT/IB/308 mailed **April 1, 2004**)
 - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US)
6. ☒ A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) is attached.
7. ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
 - a. ☐ are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b. ☐ have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
 - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
 - d. ☒ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9. ☒ An Unsigned oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
10. ☐ A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

Items 11. to 16. below concern other document(s) or information included:

11. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98 with PTO/SB/08A/08B.
12. ☐ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. ☒ A **FIRST** preliminary amendment.
 - ☐ A **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** preliminary amendment.
14. ☐ A substitute specification w/Marked-Up Version of Amended Specification.
15. ☐ A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
16. ☒ Other items or information:

- ☒ Preliminary Examination Report
- ☒ Annexes to Pre. Ex. Rep.
- ☒ International Search Report
- ☐ German Novelty Search Report
- ☒ 8 copies of citations
- ☒ Form PCT/IB/308
- ☒ International Publ. No. WO 2004/027936 (Face page only)

- ☒ Copy of Request
- ☒ Submission of Formal Drawings
- ☒ 2 sheets of formal drawings
- ☒ Abstract
- ☒ Applicant Claims Small Entity Status
- ☐ Copy of Notification of File Missing Parts
- ☐ German Language Specification

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.10

I hereby certify that this Transmittal Letter and the papers indicated as being transmitted therewith is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this date **March 11, 2005** in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Mailing Label Number **EV 622270880 US** addressed to the: Mail Stop PCT, Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Michael J. Buiold

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(signature of person mailing paper)

17. ■ The following fees are submitted:

Basic National Fee (37 CFR 1.492(a)(5):

Search Report has been prepared by the EPO or JPO \$1000.00

International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.492)(a)(1) .. \$750.00

No international preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.492)(a)(2)
but international search fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)). \$790.00Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.492)(a)(3)
nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO \$1,110.00International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.492)(a)(4)
and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) \$100.00

ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =

CALCULATIONS

PTO USE ONLY

1000

Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than ☐ 20 ☐ 30 months
from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).

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Claims

Number Filed

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Rate

Total Claims

12-20 =

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x \$ 50.00

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Independent
Claims

1-3 =

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x \$200.00

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Multiple dependent claim(s) (if applicable)

+ \$360.00

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TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =

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Reduction by 1/2 for filing by small entity, if applicable. **Applicant Claims Small Entity
Status.** (Note 37 CFR 1.9, 1.27, 1.28).

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SUBTOTAL =

500

Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later the ☐ 20 ☐ 30
months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).

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TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =

500

Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be
accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property

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TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =

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Amount to be:
refunded

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a. ■ A check in the amount of \$ 500 to cover the above fees is enclosed.b. ☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 04-0213 in the amount of \$ to cover the above fees.
A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.c. ■ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to
Deposit Account No. 04-0213. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.**NOTE:** Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a)
or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

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SUBMISSION OF FORMAL DRAWINGS

Enclosed please find two (2) sheets of formal drawings which are to be entered in this case.

In the event that there are any fee deficiencies or additional fees are payable, please charge the same or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account (Account No. 04-0213).

Respectfully submitted,


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